Software Design Document

Victorian Accident Analysis Project

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# System Vision

## Problem Background

This Victorian Accident Analysis dataset is a set of data containing road crash statistics from the five years between 2015 and 2020 within the Australian state of Victoria. This team has been tasked to develop a program which will allow users to analyse certain data and trends from the dataset.

## System Overview

This software will allow a user to analyse data from the dataset through a GUI. The user will be prompted to select a time frame (days) and when selected, information about all the accidents within that time frame will be displayed.

The average number of accidents that occur in this time frame can be viewed as a graph. To narrow down accident logs, a text input will allow a user to enter key words such as pedestrian, truck, car etc. Any accidents that contain these keywords will be shown to the user.

An alcohol use analysis feature will allow users to see a visual representation of alcohol impact. This will include accidents with alcohol related causes.

Another feature will be an analysis of the most common average time accidents occur on each day of the week.

## Potential Benefits

This will have several benefits to a few different user groups. Governments will be able to use this data to understand what is causing the most accidents, and work on changes that can help reduce these accidents thus saving damages and lives. As well as insurance companies can use this data to help model their plans and get a better idea of when, where, and why accidents happen and to be able to offer more suitable plans for different groups of people.

This will also provide important information to general road users and allow them to understand how accidents happen on the road and better prepare themselves and change their habits to help reduce the number of accidents they could cause or be a part of.

# Requirements

## User Requirements

The user needs to be able do the following:

* Select use (see accidents, view accident graph, open alcohol use section)
* Input a date timeframe
* Scroll down through multiple accident logs
* Open and close graphs
* Input text
* Bookmark certain accident logs

The users of this software are likely to be the government and insurance companies, who need to use accident data to create policies.

## Software Requirements

The software will require the following:

1. A data set will be stored within the program
2. The program shall accept 2 date inputs
3. If an object in the data set has a date between the two accepted dates, then it will be displayed.
4. The program shall accept up to 2 keywords through a text input.
5. If an object in the dataset contains these key words in its Accident\_Type attribute, then it will be displayed
6. The program shall accept the date and text inputs at the same time when necessary.
7. The program shall modify the graph shown with respect to the documents being displayed at the time.
8. The program will provide trends in regard to alcohol consumption and accidents.

## Use Cases & Use Case Diagrams

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# Software Design and System Components

## Software Design

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## System Components

### Functions

1. loadData()
   1. The loadData function will use user inputs to check which pieces of data from the dataset need to be loaded.
   2. Input parameters
      1. Day1: string, used with Day2 to define a time period within the dataset (start)
      2. Day2: string, used with Day1 to define a time period within the dataset (end)
      3. Filter: string (All, hourly, or Type). Used to filter how much data is loaded.
      4. Keyword: string. Used in the checkKeywords function to match data.
   3. Side effects cause by this function will include changing global variables.
   4. The function will return a list of data from that dataset that matches the inputs (date, filters, keywords) that a user decides on.
2. checkKeywords()
   1. checkKeywords() will be used to check each bit of data so see if the accident\_type attribute contains the keyword the user inputted.
   2. Input Parameters
      1. Word: string. Used as the word that the function checks the dataset against.
   3. Side effects should not be present when running this function.
   4. checkKeywords() will return a list of objectIDs for use in the loadData function.
3. displayGraph()
   1. This function displays the data from the loadData function on a graph for the user.
   2. Input Parameters
      1. Count: int. Number of data entries to be displayed
      2. isAlc: bool. Determines whether alcohol was a cause of the accident
      3. start: string. The start date to use as point 0 on the graph (x-axis)
      4. end: string. The end date to use as the last point on the graph(x-axis)
   3. Side effects of this function could include changing global variables for the graph scaling, depending on the amount of data being displayed
   4. The function will return the number of accidents each day (or hour if filtered hourly). The graph’s y axis will represent this number (highest y value being 10 above the max number returned by the function). The function will draw a line graph to show trends.

### Data Structures / Data Sources

List of all data structures in the software (eg linked lists, trees, arrays etc) or eternal data sources. For each data structure in the list the following information is provided:

* Type of structure (tree, list etc),
* Description of where and how it is used
* List of data members, and what each one is for do
* List of functions that use it

### Detailed Design

Pseudocode for all non-standard / non-trivial algorithms that operate on data structures

# User Interface Design

This is your initial interface design. Describe the tools you used for this design stage and any key findings that informed your design. This introduction is descriptive and should explain what you have completed for the actual design work you will present in the sub-sections below.

## Structural Design

Structural design refers to the navigational and information structure of your product – the structure that supports the interface layout. How will you structure your product? How will you group your information? How will you navigate through your product? Why? This can take the form of a diagram showing structure and hierarchy, supported by a discussion and justification of your choices. Why have you made these design choices? Describe and outline the structure of your interface and of your information.

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## Visual Design

Detail your visual design: Layout, visual elements, icons, graphics, style, colour, fonts general screen designs. This can be sketches, wireframes, mockups etc , supported by a discussion, explanation, and justification of your choices.

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